

March 2026 Newsletter

Big Walk and Wheel 2026

Griffe Field is excited to take part in the Big Walk and Wheel event 2026! Between 16th-27th March, children are encouraged to travel to school in active ways such as walking, scooting, or cycling. Every journey helps us stay healthy, reduce traffic, and look after our environment. Bikes and scooters must NOT be ridden in the school grounds.

'Bling your Bike' or 'Sparkle your Scooter' competition

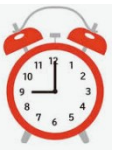
To celebrate the end of our Big Walk and Wheel event, we invite you to 'Bling your Bike' or 'Sparkle your Scooter'. On Friday 27th, bring in your decorated bike or scooter and enter our competition. There will be prizes for the best bike or scooter in both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.



Stay and Play (Birth to Pre-school) - Stay and Play is based in the Family Room, a school building. It is a place where you can spend time together with your child/ren in a calm and friendly place. Fun can be had inside with playdough, jigsaws, floor toys, creative arts

and much more. Outside activities include playhouses, making castles in the sand and ride on toys. Our sessions are free. We meet on Wednesday mornings at 9am-10.55am (term time only). A few places are still available. For more information please speak to Mrs Allison or the school office.

Lateness is an issue at the moment. Please ensure your child/ren are at school before the doors and gates are shut at 9am. Thank you. The register is taken straight away and learning starts promptly after the register.



Please, please name all uniform especially jumpers and cardigans.

When the warmer weather starts (soon hopefully) the children take jumpers etc off and just leave them here, there and everywhere. If clothing is named we can get it back to you. Thank you.

School uniform is very important and children are expected to come to school appropriately dressed every day. Please refer to the 'Uniform Expectations' sheets which has been shared numerous times. PE days are NOT 'wear what you like' days!

The School Day – gates open at 8.45am

Nursery	Doors open at 9am, doors close at 9.05am. Learning ends at 3.00pm . <u>Please collect children on time.</u>
Reception	Doors open at 8.45am, all doors close at 9am. Learning ends at 3.10pm . <u>Please collect children on time.</u>
Key Stage 1	Doors open at 8.50am, all doors close at 9am. Learning ends at 3.15pm . <u>Please collect children on time.</u>
Key Stage 2	Doors open at 8.50am, all doors close at 9am. Learning ends at 3.20pm . <u>Please collect children on time.</u>

INSET Days 2025 –26 Monday 1st June 2026, Wednesday 22nd July 2026 and Thursday 23rd July 2026.

Dates for your diary

Thurs 19 March	4HW Class Assembly (9.05am) Change of date as Fri 20 March may be Eid.
Fri 27 March	Year 1 Easter Assembly (9.05am)
Fri 27 March	'Bling your Bike' or 'Sparkle your Scooter' competition. Scooters and or bikes must be brought to school, with the children, by 9am. The office team will not be taking delivery of scooters and bikes. Any late bikes and scooters must be left in the bike shelter at the front of school. School take no responsibility for items left in the bike shelter.
Fri 27 March	Break up at the normal time
Easter sports club Mon 30 March - Thursday 2nd April (THIS WEEK IS REPLACING MAY HALF TERM THIS YEAR)	
Monday 13 April	Summer 1 term starts
Thurs 16 April	FOG meeting 6.30pm - ALL WELCOME
Friday 17 April	Year 2 Vaisakhi Assembly 9am
Friday 8 May	RRB Class Assembly 9am
Friday 22 May	2S Class Assembly 9am
Friday 22 May	Break up for half term at the normal time
Monday 1 June	INSET 3 School closed to pupils
Tuesday 2 June	9am summer 2 term starts
Wed 3 June	New Reception 2026 parents' meeting 9.15am
Friday 19 June	RD Class Assembly 9am
Wed 15 July	Y5 and Y6 performance (afternoon and evening)
Thurs 16 July	Y5 and Y6 performance (evening)
Friday 17 July	Year 6 Prom
Tues 21 July	9am Leavers' Assembly
Tues 21 July	Summer term ends for pupils
Wed / Thurs 22/23 July	INSET 4 and 5 – school closed to pupils

We are developing the front garden so it is a more creative learning space for the children. If you have any dressing up clothes that are no longer needed for our stage/performing area they would be very gratefully received. Also, if you have any pre-loved small world items like diggers, trucks or dinosaurs, we will be able to give them a second life. Thank you.



No back-packs or rucksacks please. There isn't space in the corridors/cloakroom areas. All children need a simple 'book bag' please. Thank you. 😊

